

PUTS TAX ON FOOD

WHEREIN THE PAYNE BILL IS WHOLLY BAD.

Ad's to Already Onerous Burden of the Poor—Better and More Equitable Method of Raising Revenue.

In his inaugural address Mr. Taft said: "In the making of a tariff bill the prime motive is taxation, and the securing thereby of revenue." The government's needs are pressing. Last year the deficit was \$60,000,000. This year it promises to reach \$130,000,000, and with the increase of about \$10,000,000 in appropriations next year it may be even larger unless congress adopt prompt measures to raise more revenue.

According to the estimation of the ways and means committee the Payne bill now pending will produce a net increase in customs receipts of \$11,666,748 as compared with those collected under the Dingley law in a favorable year. And to effect this inadequate increase it is proposed to levy new taxes on the breakfast table. Tea is to be heavily taxed. So is cocoa. A retaliatory tax is to be imposed on coffee from countries like Brazil, Guatemala and Salvador, from which we draw our largest supplies, because they levy an export duty. At the same time the reduction of the duty on sugar is so slight that the consumer will derive no benefit from it, yet this tax, as Wayne MacVaugh says, is especially "infamous, as it extracts from the laboring man an actual sum often in excess of the sum the same tax extracts from the richest multi-millionaire."

The tax on tea, cocoa and coffee is not protective. They are necessities of life, and must be imported. The tax on sugar, which is produced in this country in quantities far below the needs of domestic consumption, is not to be reduced because influential interests oppose a change to the advantage of the consumer. The cost of living is already oppressive, but in these respects it is to be made higher still. Staples like tea, coffee and cocoa are to be taxed and a high duty on sugar retained because certain privileged beneficiaries of the tariff demand immunity by law against fair competition.

So far as the Payne bill taxes the breakfast table it is wholly bad. The government must have more revenue. But instead of taxing food, already far too dear for the working people of the United States, in the circumstances what way of raising revenue is there so expedient and equitable as graduated income and inheritance taxes, both of which Mr. Taft favors?

Contemptuous of the West.
We have senators, and even representatives, who apparently act on the theory that the territory embraced by the thirteen original states is still the real American republic and that the great west, the northwest and southwest are still in a state of tutelage, almost like the Philippines and Porto Rico. This class of statesmen considers the west too immature to have any political voice worthy serious consideration. The west's protest against a robber tariff, for instance, is to them like a child's resentment against needless discipline.

The Payne tariff bill is deeply seared with these marks of distrust. It bristles with evidence of contempt for the west's judgment on economic matters. There is the usual studied slight of the wishes and needs of the "ultimate consumer," who represents a newer Americanism. It looks after the interests of those Americans who populate the New England and Atlantic states. It offers a stone, instead of bread, to the millions upon millions of western toilers who are carving the real American destiny out of the exhausted soil.

Roosevelt the Politician.
No more consummate politician ever lived. A part of his mastery lay in his constant assumption that he knew nothing about politics, being a straightforward man whose only skill was simple faith; but the others were children beside him. For knowing when to seize the occasion; for understanding perfectly how to hit popular feeling between wind and water; above all, for ability to impress and handle men, not singly, but by the hundred thousand, we have not looked upon his like. And, of course, his political dexterity has had that cold-blooded remorselessness without which it could not have been so successful. Friend or foe, or cause that it became necessary for him to throw over was abandoned without hesitation. His watchword ever was, "Get it done and let them howl."—New York Evening Post.

Aimed to Perpetuate Plunder.
So far as the Payne bill does reduce the tariff upon important staples, as in the steel, wool and paper schedules, it is a short step in the right direction. But it leaves tariff rates still far beyond defensible limits. It perpetuates the plundering of the consumer. It is, as the minority says, "sectional and prohibitive." It leaves the inevitable great battle for tariff reform an uncertainty still hanging over the business community. It is but a sop to public opinion.

May Do Him Good.
"Uncle Joe" was too stubborn. Power of the autocratic kind had unbalanced his judgment. He might just as well have made a few real concessions to the "insurgents" beforehand, equivalent to the changes now jammed down his throat, and thus have saved himself the most uncomfortable day of his career.—Springfield Republican.

MISSOURI NEWS

Must Report or Pay Fine.

St. Louis.—Martin McCreery of 1437 Clinton street, fined \$500 and costs each on two charges of disturbing the peace of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Florence McCreery, 1530 North Eleventh street, and her guest, Miss Laura Schoenborn, by tickling their toes, will have to behave for a year and report once each week to the workhouse. Judge Pollard stayed the fine under these conditions when it developed in testimony that his wife was ill and needed his support. The women testified that McCreery invaded their bedroom and, after waking them by tickling their toes, attempted to make love to them. McCreery pleaded guilty and declared he had been drinking and did not know what he was doing.

Two Murderers Go to Asylum.

Jefferson City.—Gov. Hadley issued orders for the transportation from the penitentiary to the criminal division of the Fulton insane asylum of two life-term convicts who are deemed hopelessly insane. Both were convicted recently of murder in the first degree and each was sentenced to the penitentiary for life. The men are Vincent Sartino, convicted in Jefferson county, January, 1908, and Charles Anderson Barker, convicted in Franklin county, March, 1908.

Doctor to Examine Convicts.

Jefferson City.—Dr. J. A. Waterman, prison physician, acting upon the suggestion of Gov. Hadley, will make a physical examination of every convict in the Missouri penitentiary, with the view of ascertaining the prevalence of tuberculosis or other disease of infectious character. This will require several weeks and Dr. Wm. R. Porter of St. Louis will assist him on Sundays.

Witnesses Examined at Columbia.

Columbia.—Twenty or more citizens of Columbia were summoned before the legislative investigating committee, headed by Dr. Auerwald of Jefferson county, during its session here. Dr. Auerwald, when asked about the committee's work here, said: "This committee is trying to find out how money given the university by the people is expended."

Father Captures Elopers.

Kansas City.—Charles Rule, 19 years old, and Maria Chien, 15 years old, of Smithville, Mo., came to Kansas City Sunday and were married by Rev. Arthur N. Lindsey. Charles Chien, the girl's father, followed and at 6 o'clock in the evening Mr. and Mrs. Rule were arrested at the Southern hotel. The bridegroom was released, but the father took his daughter home.

Justice Marries Four Sisters.

Maryville.—When Justice Warren L. Johnson, the Marrying Squire, married John Wildish and Miss Nellie Comer of Parnell, Mo., he conducted a series of weddings in which four Comers, all sisters, have figured as brides. The weddings have extended over a period of several years. The bride insisted on the ceremony being performed by Justice Johnson, because he married her three sisters.

Dennis Devoy Dies.

St. Louis.—Dennis Devoy, who had lived in St. Louis 71 years and who was the author of the law creating the present justice of the peace system in Missouri, died Wednesday afternoon at his home, 1221 St. Anne avenue. Mr. Devoy practiced law for many years, but later in life devoted most of his time to the study of political economy.

Negro Killed During Quarrel.

St. Louis.—Robert Taylor, 38 years old, a negro, was shot and instantly killed by John C. Williams, another negro, in Williams' rooming house at 1213 Chestnut street. Williams, who was arrested by the central district police, declared that Taylor attacked him with a knife following an argument over the dead man's rent. He said he fired in self-defense.

Aged Indian Fighter Dies.

West Plains.—N. S. Burgess, 96 years old, whose body was shipped to Gorham, N. Y., was reputed to be the oldest person in southern Missouri. He was born in New York and came west in the early days. He was in the Black Hawk Indian war and took part in the battle of New Ulm, Minn., where he greatly distinguished himself.

Lusby Begins Third Term.

Montgomery.—Bound in Irons, Theo Lusby, Luther Anderson's pal, was taken to the penitentiary for five years. This is his third term there. Before stepping on the train he told Dr. A. P. Parker, a missionary from China, that he was going to reform.

Cutler Names Assistants.

Jefferson City.—Dr. W. P. Cutler, state dairy and food commissioner, has named these assistants: Chemist, A. H. Douglass; chief assistant, E. H. Hamlin, Montgomery City; J. H. Allen, Tarkio.

Fireman Killed in Hannibal Flames.
Hannibal.—H. P. Long's drug store was destroyed by fire. Loss on stock and building, \$10,000. While the fire department was bravely fighting the flames Harry Tessmore, a fireman, fell into the cellar and was suffocated by smoke.

NO NEED TO TAKE CHANCES

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WISE TO NIAGARA.



Teacher—Johnny, can you tell me the most remarkable thing about Niagara Falls?
Johnny—Yesum: the price they soak you for everything without going to jail.

TOTAL LOSS OF HAIR

Seemed Imminent—Scalp Was Very Scaly and Hair Came Out by Handfuls—Scalp Now Clear and

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"About two years ago I was troubled with my head being scaly. Shortly after that I had an attack of typhoid fever and I was out of the hospital possibly two months when I first noticed the loss of hair, my scalp being still scaly. I started to use dandruff cures to no effect whatever. I had actually lost hope of saving any hair at all. I could brush it off my coat by the handful. I was afraid to comb it. But after using two cakes of Cuticura Soap and nearly a box of Cuticura Ointment, the change was surprising. My scalp is now clear and healthy as could be and my hair thicker than ever, whereas I had my mind made up to be bald. W. F. Steese, 5612 Broad St., Pittsburg, Penn., May 7 and 21, 1908."

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First Aid.

The fiancée of a Louisville girl has been spending the winter in Florida in connection with his father's business interests in that quarter.

"Marie," said the girl to a friend the other day, "Walter has just sent me the dearest little alligator from Florida."

"Dear me!" rejoined Marie, with affected enthusiasm. "And how shall you keep him?"

"I'm not quite certain," was the reply, "but I've put him in Florida water till I can hear further from Walter."

A Fable, Perhaps.

When George Ade was coming from New Orleans last winter he noticed, among the race-track men on the train, one tanshadow sheet writer with the largest feet he had ever seen.

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He Came Back Hard.

"That boy," said the Billville farmer, "beats my time! Just now, when I quoted Scripture to him he came back at me hard!"

"You don't say?"
"Shore. I told him to git a bee an' follow the furrow. 'Thar's gold in the land,' I said, and what do you reckon he made answer?"

"You tell it."
"Father," he says, "I don't keer for the gold of this here world; I've laid up treasure in heaven!"—Atlanta Constitution.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than in any other disease put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only Constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.

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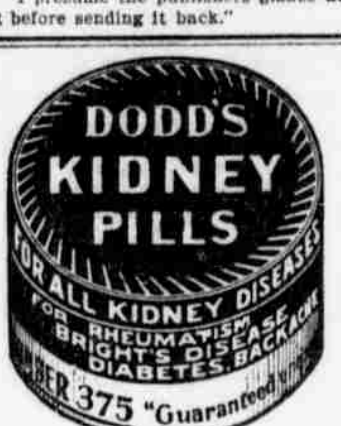
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